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To: The Secretary

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

<u>OF</u>

GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION AND HUGHES ELECTRONICS CORPORATION

General Motors Corporation ("GM") and Hughes Electronics Corporation ("Hughes"), by and through counsel and pursuant to Section 1.221(c) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.221(c), and Paragraph 296 of the Hearing Designation Order,' hereby file this Notice of Appearance stating their intention to appear on the date fixed for the hearing and

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In the Mutter of Application of EchoStar Communications Corporation, General Motors Corporation, und Hughes Electronics Corporation, Transferors, and EchoStar Communications Corporation, Transferee, Hearing Designation Order, CS Docket No. 01-348, FCC No. 02-284 (rel. Oct. 18. 2002) ("Hearing Designation Order" or "HDO").

present evidence on the issues specified in the *HDO*. GM and Hughes reserve the right to file an amended application and a petition to suspend the hearing pending Commission review of the amended application, as invited by the Commission in Paragraph 295 of the *HDO*,³ and this filing is not intended to waive or prejudice this right.

The instant Notice of Appearance is timely in that is it being filed within 20 days of the mailing of the HDO.⁴

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See HDO at ¶ 295.

GM and Hughes have been advised by Commission staff that a hearing fee does not apply to their Notice of Appearance. On November 14,2002, the Commission issued a Public Notice stating that the Commission's fee provisions "do[] not, ..., provide for a fee for this type of hearing." EchoStar-DIRECTV Merger, Fees for Participating in Hearing, Public Notice, CS Docket No. 01-348, DA 02-3173 (rel. Nov. 14,2002).

See Id. at ¶ 296; see also, 47 C.F.R. § 1.221(c). The HDO was sent by certified mail on October 28, 2002.

CERIIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Alexander D. Hoehn-Saric, hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Notice of Appearance of General Motors Corporation and Hughes Electronics

Corporation, was mailed by First Class U.S. Mail, postage prepaid (or hand delivered as denoted by an asterisk), this 15th day of November 2002, to the following:

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